## **Deepening engagement with Southeast Asia**

## Southeast Asia is a key priority for Australia

Undertaken 67 outbound bilateral visits to the region by Australian ministers, since May 2022 (as of 23 January 2025)





Expanded the cap on the Emerging Markets Impact Investment Fund (EMIIF) to mobilise more private sector finance including in Southeast Asia

Supported 100 Australia for
ASEAN scholars and hosted a
Special Summit to Commemorate
the 50th Anniversary of ASEANAustralia Dialogue Relations in
March 2024





Designing a new scholarships program for Southeast Asian partners to offer more Australian education and training opportunities to the region



Agreed to upgrade our relationships with Brunei, Laos, the Philippines and Vietnam and fully implemented the ASEAN-Australia Comprehensive Strategic Partnership

Appointed a Special Envoy for
Southeast Asia and delivered a
Southeast Asia Economic Strategy to
2040 to bolster our
economic engagement with the
region

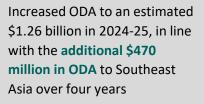




Investing \$200 million into an Australia-Indonesia Climate and Infrastructure Partnership to support Indonesia's clean energy transition

Established and continued to expand DFAT's **Office of Southeast Asia**, including to support increased engagement with Timor-Leste









Announced a new Southeast Asia
Government-to-Government
Partnerships program to
deepen government agencies'
relationships in the region

Offering new specialised
scholarships complementing the
Australia Awards scholarships
program, accessible to Brunei,
Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand





Will double the number of Canberra Fellowships Program visits from the Indo-Pacific, offering around 10 additional visits per year